

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-15 have been cancelled.

Claims 16-35 are currently pending in the instant application.

Applicants respectfully request that the amendments be entered in the specification. The amendments to the specification primarily enter headings which are required by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

At page 2, the term "impervious" has been replaced by the term "pervious". It is clear that nappies must be pervious to liquids to be useful.

The first paragraph at page 7 has been amended to indicate that in the last three lines, the paragraph is referring to component a). This is clear from the specification at page 2, line 31 to page 3, line 1, which indicates that component a) has a melting point in the range of 25°C to 37°C, while at page 3, lines 10-14, the specification teaches that component c) has a melting point in the range of 45°C to 70°C. The amendment to the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 32, merely reconciles the statement to the teachings of the remainder of the specification.

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to the specification do not enter new matter but merely covers formal matters.

Original claims 1-15 have been cancelled without prejudice. New claims 16-35 are similar to original claims 1-15 with multiple dependencies deleted. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been entered by way of amendment to the claims. In addition, the claims have not been amended to overcome any prior art reference of which Applicants are aware.

**Preliminary Amendment of U.S. National Stage for International Application
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Favorable consideration of the claims in their amended form is respectfully
requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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